

Declaration of the Alliance of Free Planets

Citizens of the Galaxy, Emperor Palpatine is dead. During his reign of terror, Palpatine betrayed every principle of the Old Republic. His rule oppressed all free civilizations, inflicted violence upon the people of the galaxy and ignored the needs of its citizens when those needs were deemed contrary to Palpatine's desires. While maintaining the appearance of a participatory government, Palpatine blocked any shift of his power to anyone else in the governmental structure.

A New Hope

We, the members of the Rebel Alliance, formally announce our intention to restore the glory of the Old Republic ... to create a New Republic. Where Palpatine failed to serve his people, we intend to restore the freedoms he so casually dismissed. The Alliance of Free Planets, freely offers membership to any world that wishes to throw off the Empire's yoke and take up the struggle to end the nightmare of the New Order.

The Alliance of Free Planets makes you, the citizens of the Galaxy, the following pledges:

1. **Military Action.** We, as the Rebel Alliance, have been accused of brigandage and terrorism of the worst kind. The Alliance has always maintained that these reports are patently false. The Alliance of Free Planets will refrain from military action in or near civilian areas. Military targets such as battle stations and garrisons have always been the targets of the Alliance's military activities, and that policy has not changed.
2. **Equality Among Species.** Any person, whether human or non-human, who wishes a place in the Alliance of Free Planets is welcome. Where the New Order was highly restrictive to non-humans, the goal of the Alliance is to provide equal opportunities to all.
3. **Social Responsibility.** The Alliance of Free Planets wishes to restore the principles of the Old Republic. As such, where possible, the Alliance intends to restore free expression in the media, the arts, and among its citizens.
4. **Tolerance.** The wholesale conquest and restructuring of entire planetary civilizations is at an end. Any surviving Imperial forces that attempt to carry out actions of this nature will be met with military response. Every species has the right to choose its own destiny, and the Alliance of Free Planets vows to defend that right.
5. **Morality.** Where the New Order once oppressed, maintaining a reign of terror over its populace, the Alliance of Free Planets hopes to create a more open society and a government accountable to the will of its citizens.

Towards the Future

Already, several worlds and several species have allied themselves with the Alliance of Free Planets. Already, the tenets that were a cornerstone of the Old Republic are again followed on these worlds.

It is necessary to point out that the Alliance of Free Planets is not a true government. As long as the forces of the Emperor hold sway on other worlds, in other sectors, the Alliance is primarily a military force. We freely admit that the Alliance of Free Planets is merely an interim measure, a stepping stone on the path to the restoration of the ideals of a bygone day ...

... the first step towards a New Republic.



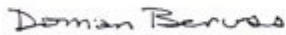
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This textfile was released to the holomedia approximately one week after the Battle of Endor. The Declaration of a New Republic was released to the galaxy only four weeks after this document was distributed. While now little more than a historical footnote, the Declaration of the Alliance of Free Planets illustrates an important step in the evolution from Rebel Alliance to New Republic.

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